

6. (Amended) An amplifier circuit according to claim 2, characterized in that said amplifier circuit is a transimpedance amplifier (20).

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7. (Amended) A reproducing device comprising an amplifier circuit (20) as claimed in claim 2, a reproducing element (10) for generating said input signal, channel decoding and/or error correction means (30) coupled to an output of said amplifier circuit (20).

11. (Amended) A method according to claim 9, characterized by updating the value of said predetermined fraction during a start-up of a device in which said amplifier circuit is provided.

12. (Amended) A method according to claim 9, characterized by generating said predetermined fraction by a voltage dividing operation.

REMARKS

The foregoing Preliminary Amendment to claims 4-7, 11, and 12 were made solely to avoid filing the claim in the multiple dependant form so as to avoid the additional filing fee.